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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.191, Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the final rejection of claims 1, 5, 6, 9, 10 and 16-21 of the above-identified application, as set forth in the Office Action mailed January 31, 2003.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-2725 in the amount of \$160.00 to cover the required fee for filing this Notice of Appeal as set forth under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b).

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